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Docket No.: M4065.0206/P206-C
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Kanwal K. Raina

Application No.: 10/730,041

Confirmation No.: 2998

Filed: December 9, 2003

Art Unit: 2879

For: METHOD TO INCREASE THE EMISSION
CURRENT IN FED DISPLAYS THROUGH
THE SURFACE MODIFICATION OF THE
EMITTERS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM

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Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions for withdrawal of the Notice of Omitted Item (copy attached as Exhibit A). The Notice of Omitted Item states that page 1 of the specification has been omitted.

Applicant notes that the present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/387,776, filed September 1, 1999, now abandoned, entitled Method To Increase The Emission Current In Fed Displays Through The Surface Modification Of The Emitters, which was incorporated by reference in its entirety in the present application (see copy of attached transmittal letter and of First Preliminary Amendment filed December 9, 2003 as Exhibit B). Thus, the specification of the present

application contains the entirety of disclosure of its prior related application, which includes page 1 of the specification. A true copy of Application Serial No. 09/387,776 is attached as Exhibit C. Accordingly, page 1 of the specification was indeed incorporated as part of the application as filed and entry of the attached duplicate copy of page 1 is requested.

In addition, Applicant respectfully contends that the allegedly omitted item was indeed deposited with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") along with the application papers on December 9, 2003. Applicant notes that the filing postcard for this application, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit D, indicates that the PTO acknowledged receipt of page 1 of the specification on December 9, 2003. Applicant further notes that the specification of this application, including page 1, is a total of 13 pages in length. Thus, the entire specification, including page 1, was deposited with the PTO on December 9, 2003.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully petitions for the above-referenced application to be accorded a filing date of December 9, 2003.

Dated: May 6, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Page(s) 1 of the specification (description and claims).

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date being requested when submitting the omitted items(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.


III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

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references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabeled drawing figures, is required. A copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink should accompany with any drawing changes. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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**METHOD TO INCREASE THE EMISSION CURRENT IN FED
DISPLAYS THROUGH THE
SURFACE MODIFICATION OF THE EMITTERS**

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

I. FIELD OF THE INVENTION

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The present invention relates generally to display devices implementing Field Emission Display (FED) technology. More specifically, the invention relates to a method for increasing the emission current of the current emitters of a Field Emission Display (FED).

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE RELATED ART

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Until recently, the cathode ray tube ("CRT") had been the primary device for displaying information. While having sufficient display characteristics with respect to color, brightness, contrast, and resolution, CRT's are relatively bulky and consume large amounts of power. In view of the advent of portable laptop computers, the demand has intensified for a display technology which is light-weight, compact, and power efficient.

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One available technology is flat panel displays, and more particularly, Liquid Crystal Display ("LCD") devices. LCDs are currently used for laptop computers. However, these LCD devices provide poor contrast in comparison to CRT technology. Further, LCDs offer only a limited angular display range. Moreover, color LCD devices consume power at rates incompatible with extended battery operation. Lastly, a color LCD type screen tends to be far more costly than an equivalent CRT.

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FED technology has recently come into favor as one technology for



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APPLICATION ELEMENTS <small>See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.</small>		ADDRESS TO: MS Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	
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